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THE ſixth inſtant a Letter from the Palatinat of Sendomir was read in the Congreſs, the Subſtance of it was, that ſeeing the Inſtrument of the Confederacy of the 2 Palatinats of Great Poland, contain'd nothing contrary to the Roman Catholick Religion, nor to the Authority of King Auguſtus II. the ſaid Palatinat was ready to enter into it; but, for ſome particular Reaſons, could not yet ſend their Deputies to the Congreſs: That in the mean time they would conform themſelves to what ſhould be agreed to by the Commiſſioners of the Republick, whom they look'd upon to be ſufficiently empower'd to treat as they ſhould judge beſt for the Good of the Country. After the reading of this Letter, the Marſhal was deſir'd by the Aſſembly, to invite the Palatinats of Cracow, Sendomir, Lublin, Belsk, Ruſſia, and Volhinia, to enter into the Confederacy. The 7th a Letter from the Palatinat of Siradia was read over, and alſo the Anſwers drawn up to be return'd to it, and to the Letter from the Palatinat of Sendomir. Then General Horn's Credential Letter was read; and afterwards the Marſhal repreſented how neceſſary it was for the Confederates to be firmly united, and by his Remonſtrances prevail'd with the Aſſembly to allow the Marſhals of each Palatinat to meet at his Houſe the next day, to draw up an Act or Inſtrument of a *General Confederacy*, in order, as he pretended, *to redreſs the Calamities of the State*. Two Gentlemen, one of Poſnania, the other of the Territory of Vielun, ſpoke after him, and ſaid, *The Wounds of the State ought to be laid open, and then to be cleans'd and heal'd.* Then they took the Freedom to utter ſeveral hard Expreſſions againſt his Majeſty, and concluded, That ſeeing the Councils of Thorn, Marienbourg, and Jawarow, had not, by reaſon of Diſſentions, eſtabliſh'd the publick Safety, they ought now to unite vigorouſly, if they were come thither with a Deſign of doing any thing to the Purpoſe. The Cardinal Primate ſpoke much to the ſame purpoſe, and among other things ſaid, *He was ſure the King of* Sweden *pretended to nothing but a legal and juſt Security.* General Horn declar'd to the Commiſſioners of the Republick, that the King his Maſter not having acknowledg'd them, he could not treat with them; whereupon they produc'd a Letter of the King of Sweden's, in which they were ſtil'd the Commiſſioners of the Republick; to which he only anſwer'd, That he would write to his Maſter about it: After which the Cardinal adjourn'd the Aſſembly to the 9th, on which day nothing extraordinary was done. The Marſhal made a Speech to the Aſſembly, in which, among other things, he ſaid, That *when Nature was about to bring forth ſomething Great, ſhe proceeded ſlowly. And that the Confederates ſhould not be too quick in their Deliberations, ſeeing they were to pleaſe both the Preſent and the Abſent.* Every body perceiv'd plainly, by the bent of his Diſcourſe, and all the Steps taken by the Congreſs, that they had abſolutely determin'd to Dethrone the King, but ſome Difficulties lay in their way, which they could not get over till the 14th. On the 13th ſome Letters, written by 2 Perſons of the Court, were publickly read in the Aſſembly, by which, 'tis pretended, it appear'd that his Majeſty had offer'd to treat perſonally, without the Republick, with the King of Sweden. Upon which, and upon other Breaches of the *Pacta Conventa* imputed to his Majeſty, the Congreſs (conſiſting, beſides the Cardinal Primate, of the Biſhop and Palatin of Poſnania, the Caſtellan of Plosko, and the Deputies of 7 or 8 Palatinats, (deſir'd the Cardinal Primate, in the Aſſembly held on the 14th, to aſſume the Authority veſted in him during an Interregnum; the Cardinal anſwer'd, That foraſmuch as it was certain they could expect no good from the King, and that his Dignity of Primate oblig'd him to uphold the ſinking Liberty of his Country, and ſuccour his oppreſs'd Brethren, he could not refuſe to comply with their Requeſt: That he knew how to manage things in an Interregnum; but that he hoped the Confederates would adhere firmly and faithfully to him, and not abandon him, *as they did at the laſt Election*: That it was neceſſary firſt to put into Form the Reſolution they had taken, and then he would ſend it with his Univerſalia to all the Palatinats; that when they ſhould ſee which Palatinats would approve and which reject it, they ſhould know who were their Friends and who Enemies; That General Horn had aſſur'd him on the Part of the King his Maſter, that as ſoon as the Congreſs ſhould have diſpatch'd all their Buſineſs, all Contributions, &c. ſhould ceaſe; and that his Swediſh Majeſty would not make any Motion with his Troops, but as they ſhould deſire him; That the King of Poland expected Succours of Muſcovites, Tartars, Coſſacks, and others; and that therefore it was neceſſary for the Confederates to enter into an Alliance with ſome Potentate. All he ſaid, was unanimouſly approv'd. The 15th the Inſtrument of the Confederacy was read over again, in favour of the Palatinat of Lencizia, and an Addition was made importing, That the Saxon Auxiliary Troops ſhould be look'd upon as Enemies of the Country. Then they form'd their laſt Reſolution in the following Terms.

'WHereas the moſt Serene King Auguſtus II. Duke
'of Saxony, has not obſerv'd our Laws and
'Rights, and has thereby, according to the Tenour
'of the *Pacta Conventa*, diſcharg'd us from our Obe-
'dience; We renounce all Obedience to him, and
'take into our own hands diſtributive and vindictive
'Juſtice; We recall the Senators and Miniſters, and
'will not adhere to him after the Publication of theſe
'Preſents; but declare thoſe that ſhall aſſiſt him with
'their Counſels to be Enemies of the Country. We
'intreat his Eminency the Primate, to publiſh an In-
'terregnum, to ſee that Juſtice be adminiſtred,
'the Treaſury rightly manag'd, and to appoint a day
'for a new Election.

The Deputies of the Palatinat of Lencizia approv'd this Reſolution, but propos'd that the ſigning it ſhould be defer'd till the Swedes had evacuated their Territories. The Cardinal Primate made another Speech, importing, *that what the Will of God ordains, is always accompliſhed, that the Almighty eſtabliſhes and diſpoſes things as he ſees good, by the power of his Arm*; &c. that he was determin'd to ſee the Reſolution of the Congreſs executed, as far as lay in his Power; but firſt deſir'd to know whether all the reſt were alike determin'd; they all declar'd they were; then he told them it was neceſſary to bind themſelves by an Oath. The 6th, the following Reſolutions paſs'd. 1. That a Double Formulary of an Oath ſhall be drawn up, one for the Senators and Officers, the other by the Nobility, and all who enter into the

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Confederacy ſhall be oblig'd to take it. 2. That this Oath ſhall be adminiſter'd in preſence of the Marſhals and Deputies of each Palatinat, who ſhall give Certificates to thoſe who take it. 3. That after they have provided for the Security of the Kingdom at home, they will look abroad; and that the Marſhal ſhall ſummon the Commiſſioners of the Republick to aſſiſt at a Treaty, the plan of which ſhall be drawn by ſuch as are ableſt, and put into the Marſhals Hands. 4. During the Interregnum, his Eminency ſhall convene the Poſpolite Ruzzenie. 5. The petty Diets of the leſſer Poland drawing nigh, the Act of the General Confederacy ſhall be ſign'd, in Preſence of the Cardinal the Marſhal and the Deputies, to the End it may be ſent to all the Diets. Two Deputies of the Palatinat of Pruſſia, are arriv'd to aſſiſt at the Congreſs, who ſay the reſt are following them. It has been reſolv'd that 2 Deputies ſhall be ſent to the Palatinat of Sendomir, who have form'd another Confederacy *for the Defence of the ſacred Majeſty of Auguſtus* II. *and of the Roman Catholick Religion*, and who are to open their Aſſembly to Day.

The Advices from Poland being too large for one Paper, we refer the reſt to tomorrow's Courant.

Lisbon, March 1. Two ſmall Ships which came from Ireland are come hither with Soldiers, one of them met a ſmall Biſcainer off the Coaſt, from whom ſhe got clear after a ſharp Diſpute, altho' ſhe had not one great Gun. On the 24th *Ult.* a ſmall Biſcainer Privateer of 4 Guns came up our River, who being ſuppoſed to be one of them that took a Flyboat and 2 Portugueſe Caraveloes ſome time ſince off Viana, the Captain was ſeiz'd and put into a Dungeon on the 27th in Belem Caſtle, the reſt of the Officers, &c. impriſon'd in other places; And 'tis thought they will be try'd as Pyrates, for taking Portugueſe Veſſels in time of Peace. The King's eldeſt Daughter, being about 8 years old, dyed the 16th *Ult.* of the Small Pox, and was bury'd the 18th in a magnificent manner: The other Daughter had the Small Pox likewiſe, but is recover'd. The Court only is order'd to go into Mourning. All Preparations imaginable are made for the King of Spain's Reception, &c.

Weymouth, March 6. On Saturday came into Portland Road the Mermaid Tranſport with Priſoners from St. Maloes, 300 of which were landed here; ſhe ſail'd the next Morning with the reſt for Portſmouth.

Yarmouth, March 6. This Morning part of 200 Sail of laden Colliers came in here from the Northward, the reſt with the Nightingale and Greyhound Men of War their Convoys are in ſight and coming in.

Cowes, March 6. Yeſterday the Severn Privateer, Captain Thompſon Commander, brought into this Road a Swediſh Veſſel laden with Wine and Brandy bound home from Bourdeaux; and alſo a Brigantine belonging to Briſtol, in Ballaſt, retaken. Two days ago this Privateer gave chace to a French Ship of 34 Guns bound home from the Eaſt-Indies, which he could not take, yet he put her aſhore on the French Coaſt.

Harwich, March 7. To day the Marlborough Pacquet-Boat arriv'd from Holland, in her paſſage ſhe was attack'd and boarded in the Night by a French Privateer of about 18 Guns, but got clear of him and eſcap'd; In the Diſpute the Mail of Friday laſt was thrown overboard, leſt it ſhould have fallen into the Enemies hands.

WHEREAS great Complaints have been made to Her Majeſty, of many indecent, prophane and immoral Expreſſions that are uſually ſpoken by Players and Mountebanks, contrary to Religion and Good Manners. And thereupon Her Majeſty has lately given Order to Charles Killigrew *Eſq; Her Majeſty's Maſter of the Revels, to take eſpecial care to correct all ſuch Abuſes. The ſaid Maſter of the Revels does therefore hereby require all Stage-Players, Mountebanks, and all other Perſons mounting Stages or otherwiſe, to bring their ſeveral Plays, Drolls, Farces, Interludes, Dialogues, Prologues, Epilogues, and other Entertainments, fairly written, to him at his Office in* Somerſet-houſe, *to be by him peruſed, corrected and allow'd under his hand, purſuant to Her Majeſty's Commands, upon pain of being proceeded againſt for Contempt of Her Majeſty's ſaid Order. Whereof all Magiſtrates are hereby deſir'd to take notice, and to be aiding and aſſiſting therein unto the ſaid Maſter, in purſuing the Ends of Her Majeſty's Royal Intentions for Reformation of Manners.*

Never Acted but Twice.

AT the Theatre Royal in *Drury-Lane*, this preſent *Thurſday* being the 9th of *March*, will be preſented a Play call'd, *The Albion Queens*, or, *The Death of* Mary *Queen of* Scotland. And by reaſon of the extraordinary Charge in the Decoration of it, the Prices are rais'd, Boxes 5 *s.* Pit 3 *s.* firſt Gallery 2 *s.* upper Gallery 1 *s.*

AT the New Theatre in *Little-Lincolns-Inn-Fields*, this preſent *Thurſday* being the 9th of *March*, will be preſented a new Play call'd, *Liberty Aſſerted.* Being the 8th time of Acting.

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